

Water from the Hills:

Adapting to land use and climate change

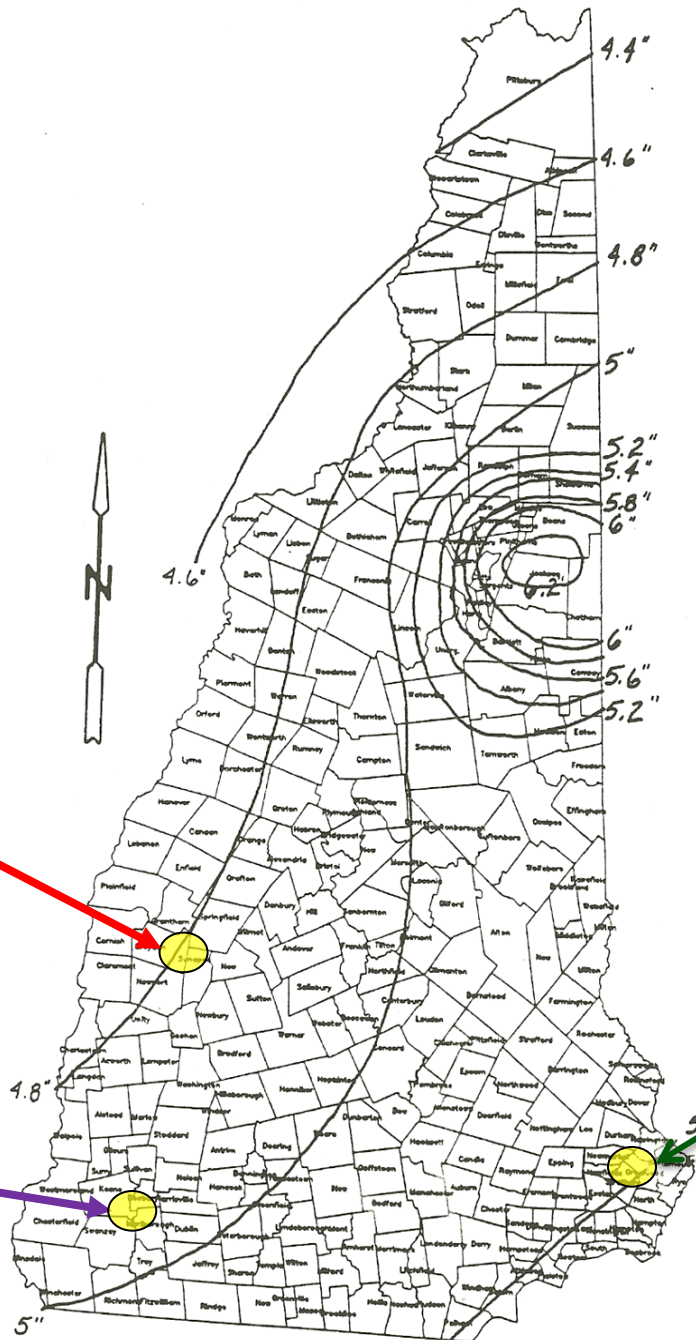
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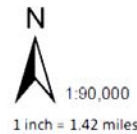
6-9 -- 25-YEAR FREQUENCY 24-HOUR DURATION RAINFALL



Field Data Collection

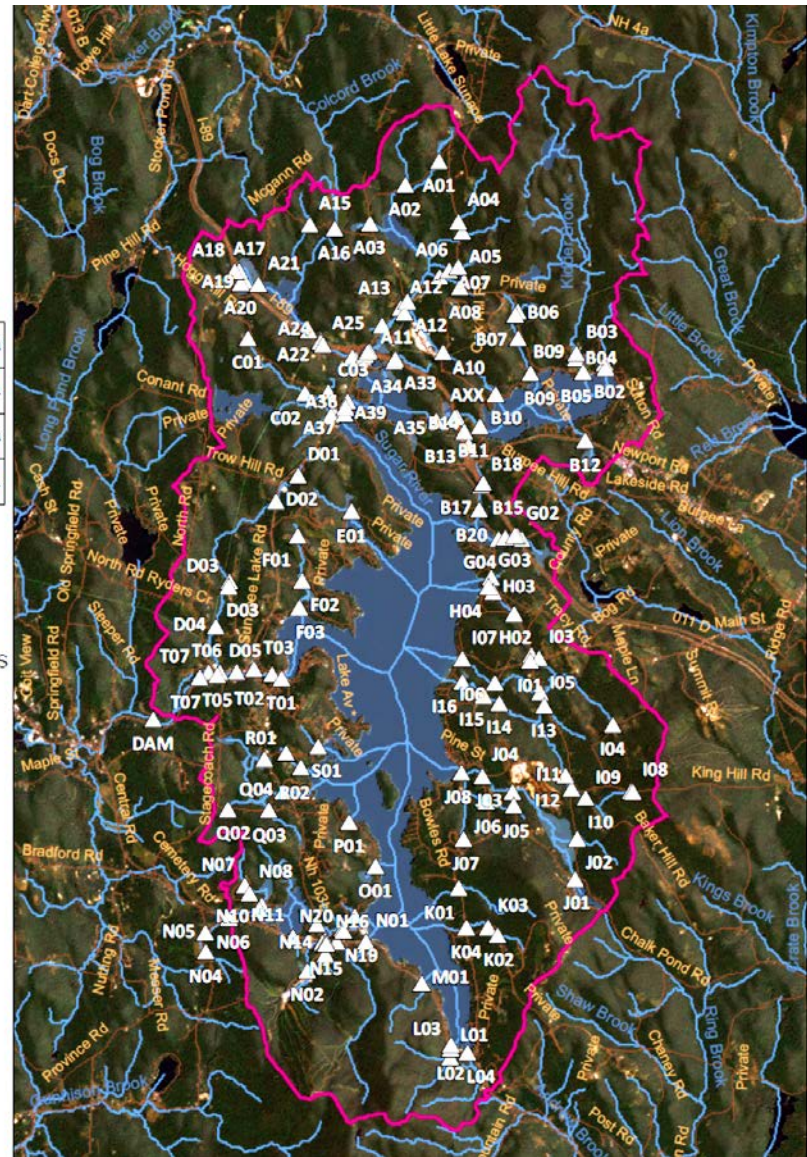
210 road crossings

Field Atlas



A07	A08	A09	A10	A11
B06	B07	B08	B09	B10
C07	C08	C09	C10	C11
D06	D07	D08	D09	D10
E06	E07	E08	E09	E10
F06	F07	F08	F09	F10
G07	G08	G09		

- Legend**
- △ SURVEY_LOCS
 - ◻ Watershed
 - Water
 - Map_Grid
 - Roads_DOT
 - Streams

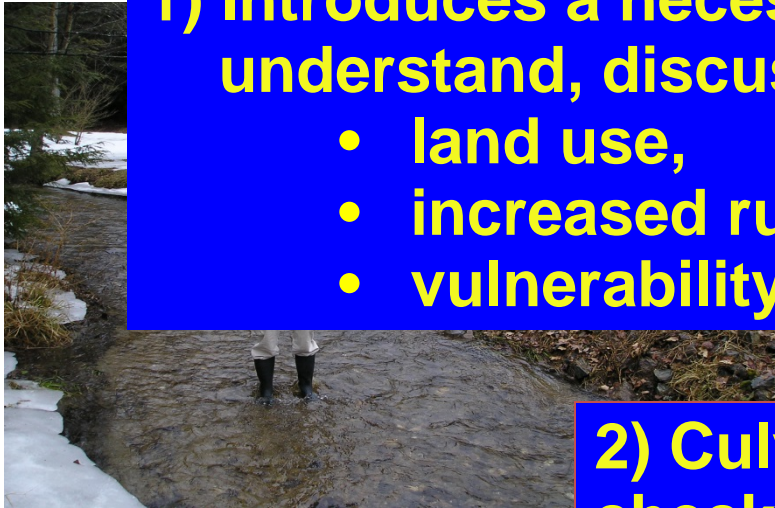


WHY CULVERTS?

Culvert and landscape characteristics

1) Introduces a necessary, but easy to understand, discussion of

- land use,
- increased run-off of water,
- vulnerability



2) Culverts can be field checked and measured relatively easily



3) Culverts have a tangible dollar value attached to them that can be used in replacement and mitigation cost analyses

DATA Input

Historical Climatic Data

Precipitation
Evapotranspiration

Precipitation Scenarios

Global Circulation Models
Down-Scaling

Current Land Characteristics

Soils,
Water Bodies
Parks /Protected Land

Projected Land Characteristics

Impervious Surfaces
Green Infrastructure

Historic Pipe Configuration



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Modeling

Run-off / Peak Flow Calculations

EPA-SWMM
Calibration



Outputs

Projected Precipitation Amounts

Optimistic - Pessimistic

System Components Adequacy

Current
Projected

Projected Pipe Sizing

Impact of Green Infrastructure

Extent of Mitigation

Projected Cost Impacts

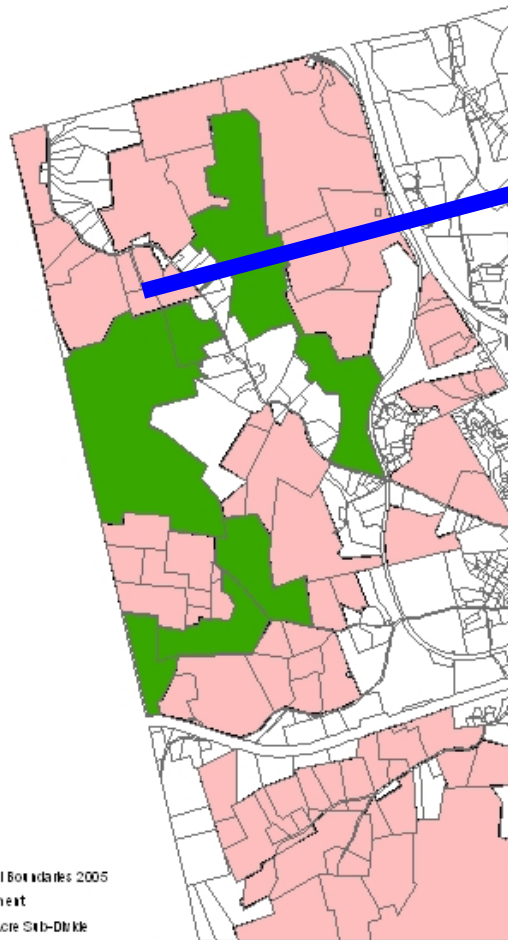
A Changing Landscape



Courtesy of UCONN Cooperative Extension

Framing the BUILD-OUT Analysis

Data Source:
New zoning polygons were
created under the supervision
of David Fink and Robert Thomas



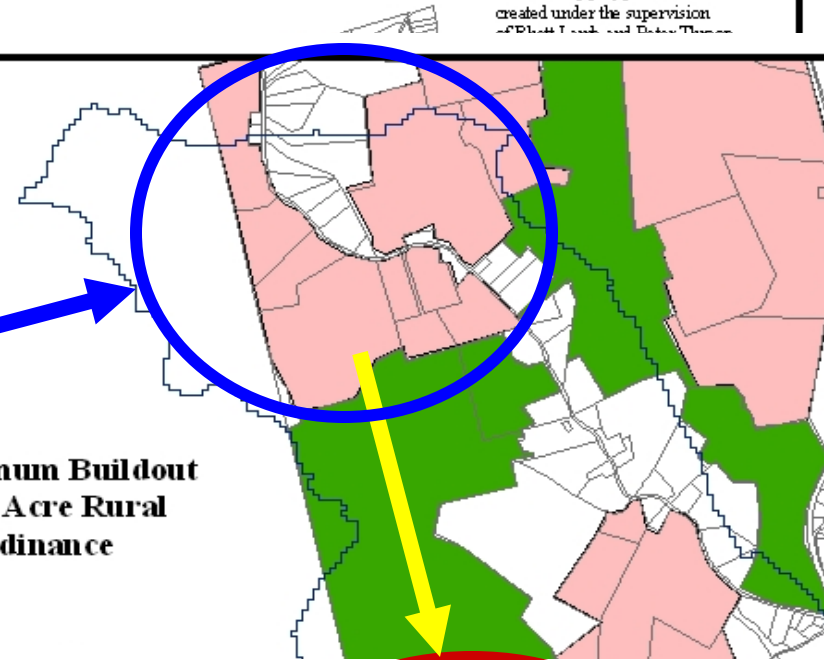
- Parcel Boundaries 2005
- Basement
- Five Acre Sub-Divide
- New Corporate Park
- New Industrial Limited
- New Low Density 1
- Two Acre Sub-Divide



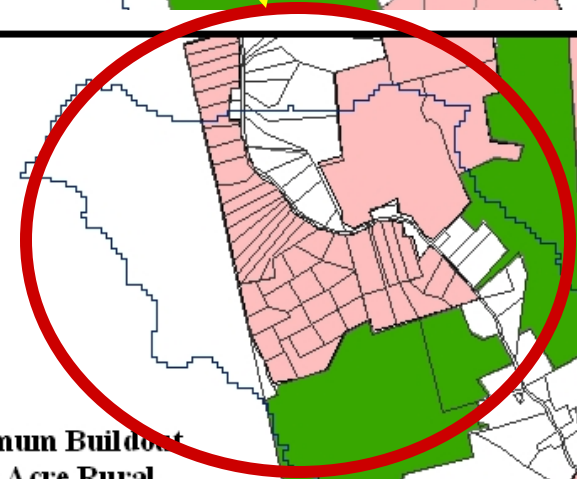
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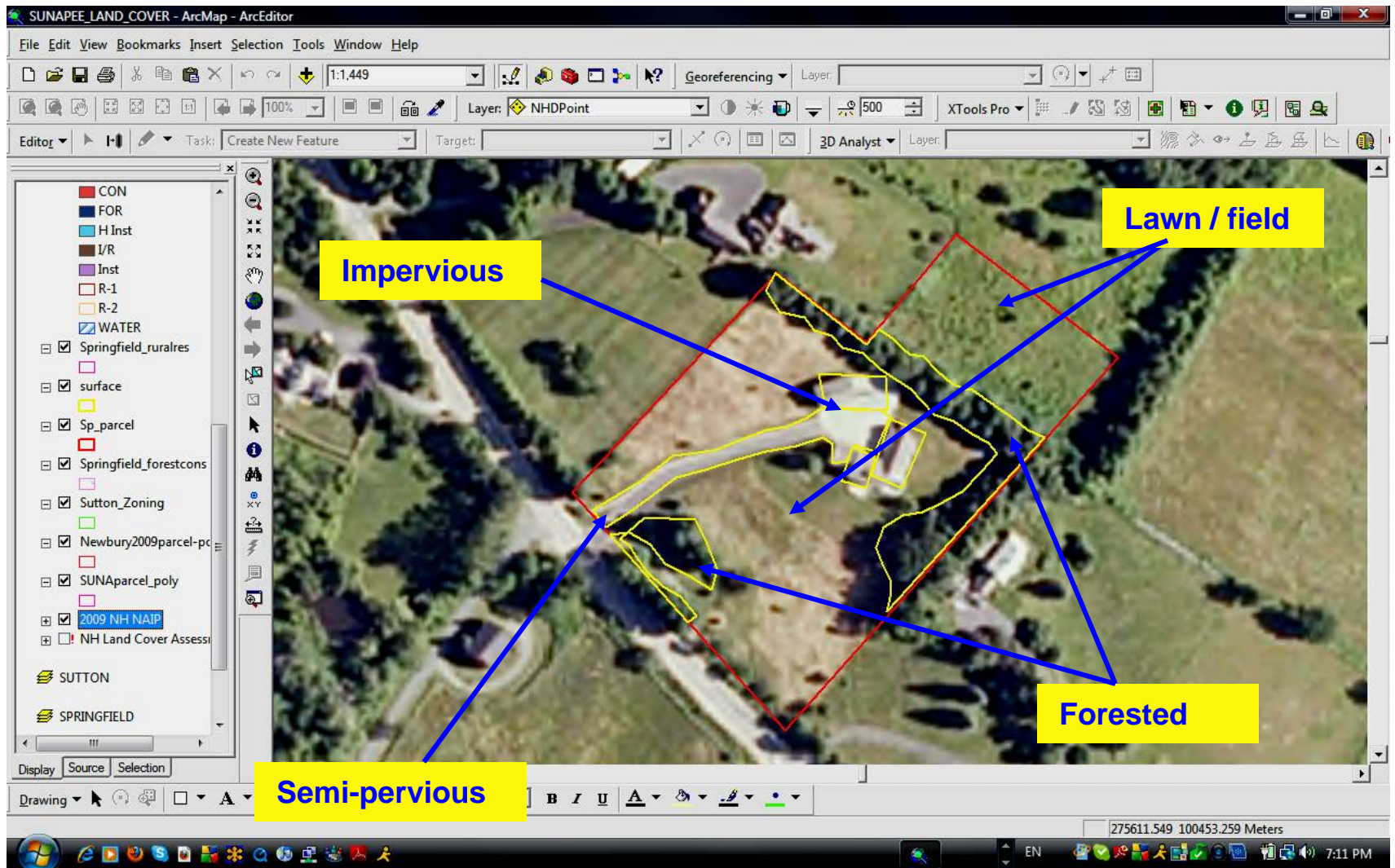
**Potential Maximum Buildout
Based on Five Acre Rural
Zoning Ordinance**



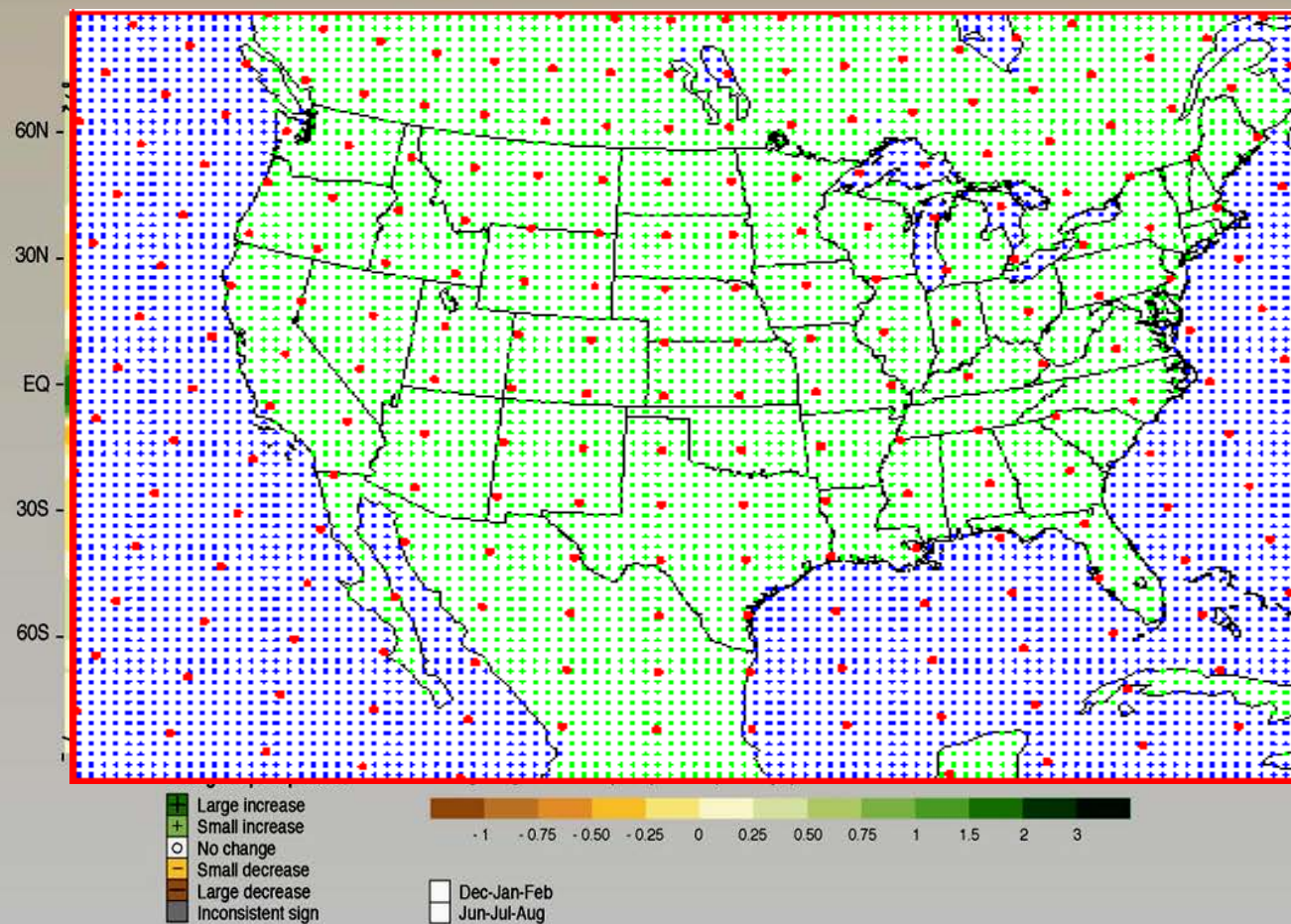
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- White Brook Water
- Parcel Boundaries
- Basement



Change in precipitation for scenario A2



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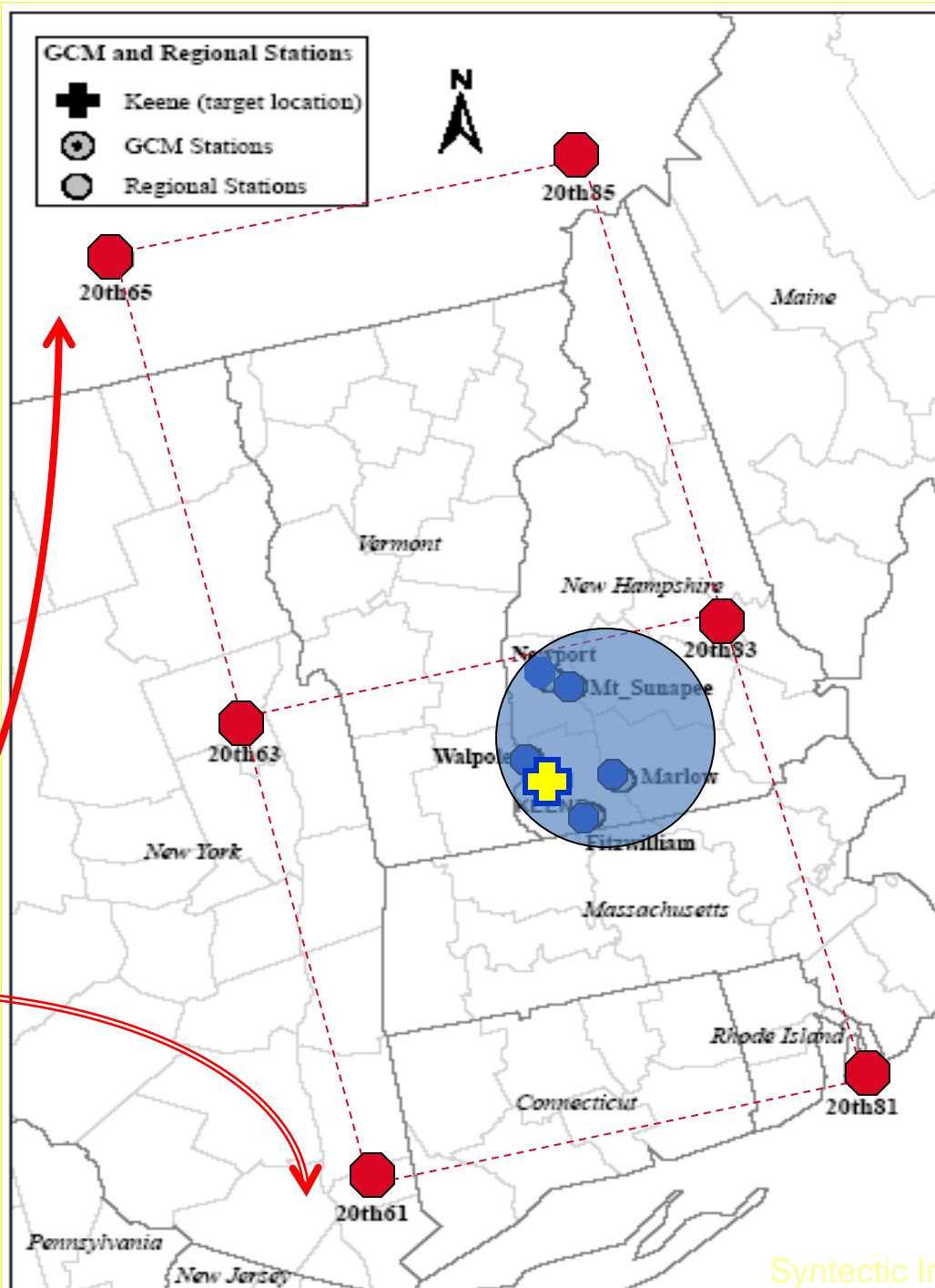
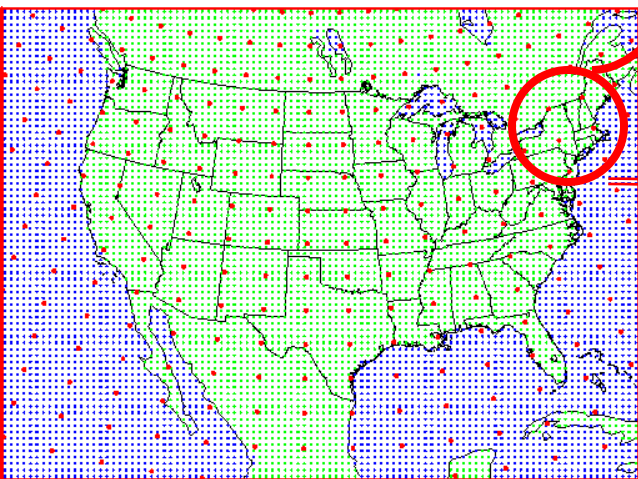
A Changing Climate

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INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE



Six gridpoints proximate to study areas in NH were used to transfer the expected change in precipitation from the GCM to Keene and regional stations



Lake Sunapee watershed:

Results of precipitation modeling

Sunapee 25-year, 24-hour precipitation, regionalized shape parameter
25-year precip (in.)

Data Source	SRES	Period	-95%c.i.	Most Likely	+95%c.i.
Historic	Baseline	1971-2000	2.70	4.06	6.65
PROJECTED Rainfalls	B1	2046-2075	2.63	4.25	7.47
	A1b	2046-2075	3.23	4.87	8.00
	A1fi	2046-2075	4.34	6.65	11.10

Most likely potential rainfalls used for determining culvert vulnerability

Ranged: 4.06 to 6.65 inches

RESULTS



Springfield drainage system vulnerability

For worst culverts, probable frequency of a flooding-rainfall

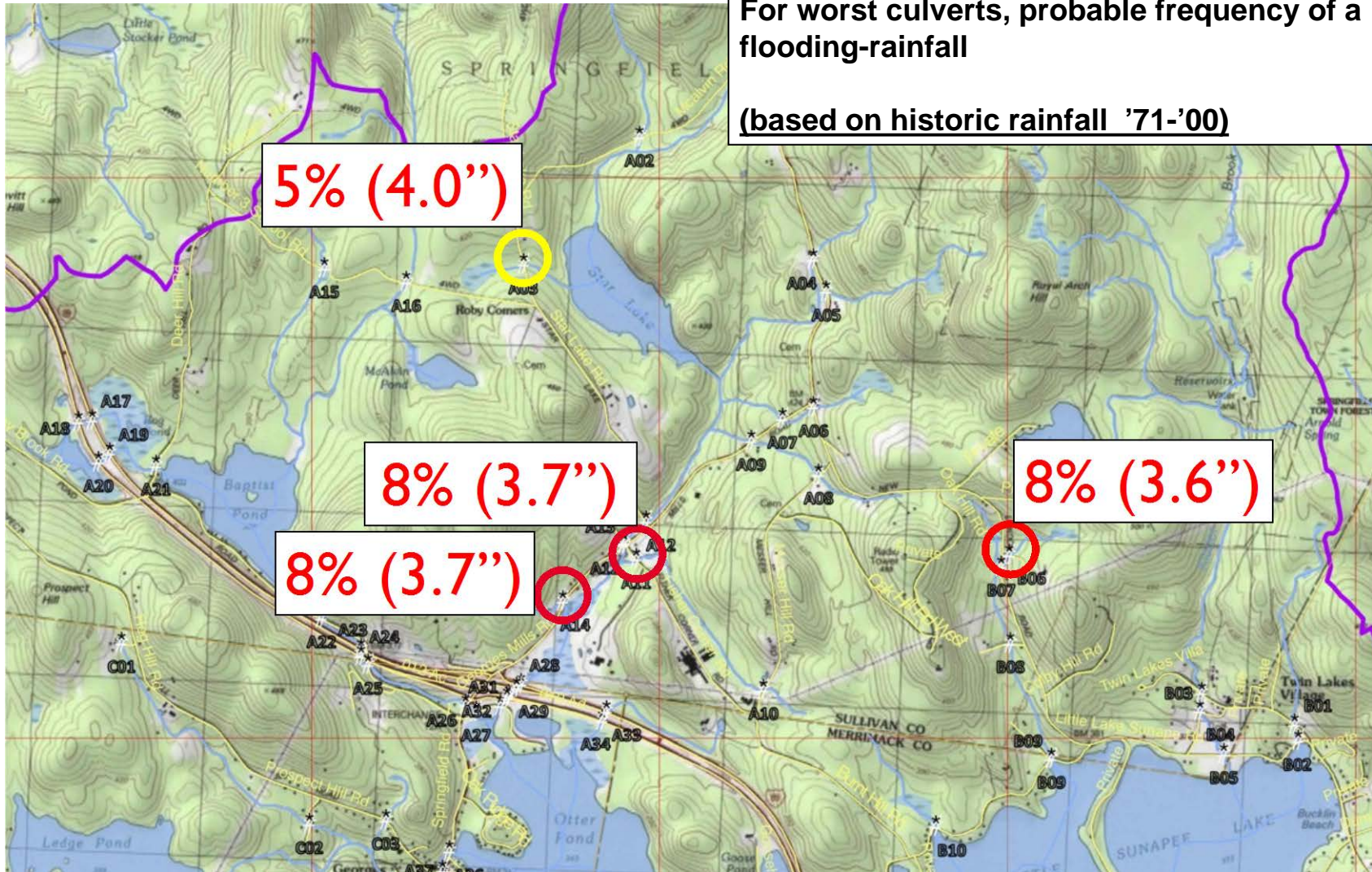
(based on historic rainfall '71-'00)

5% (4.0")

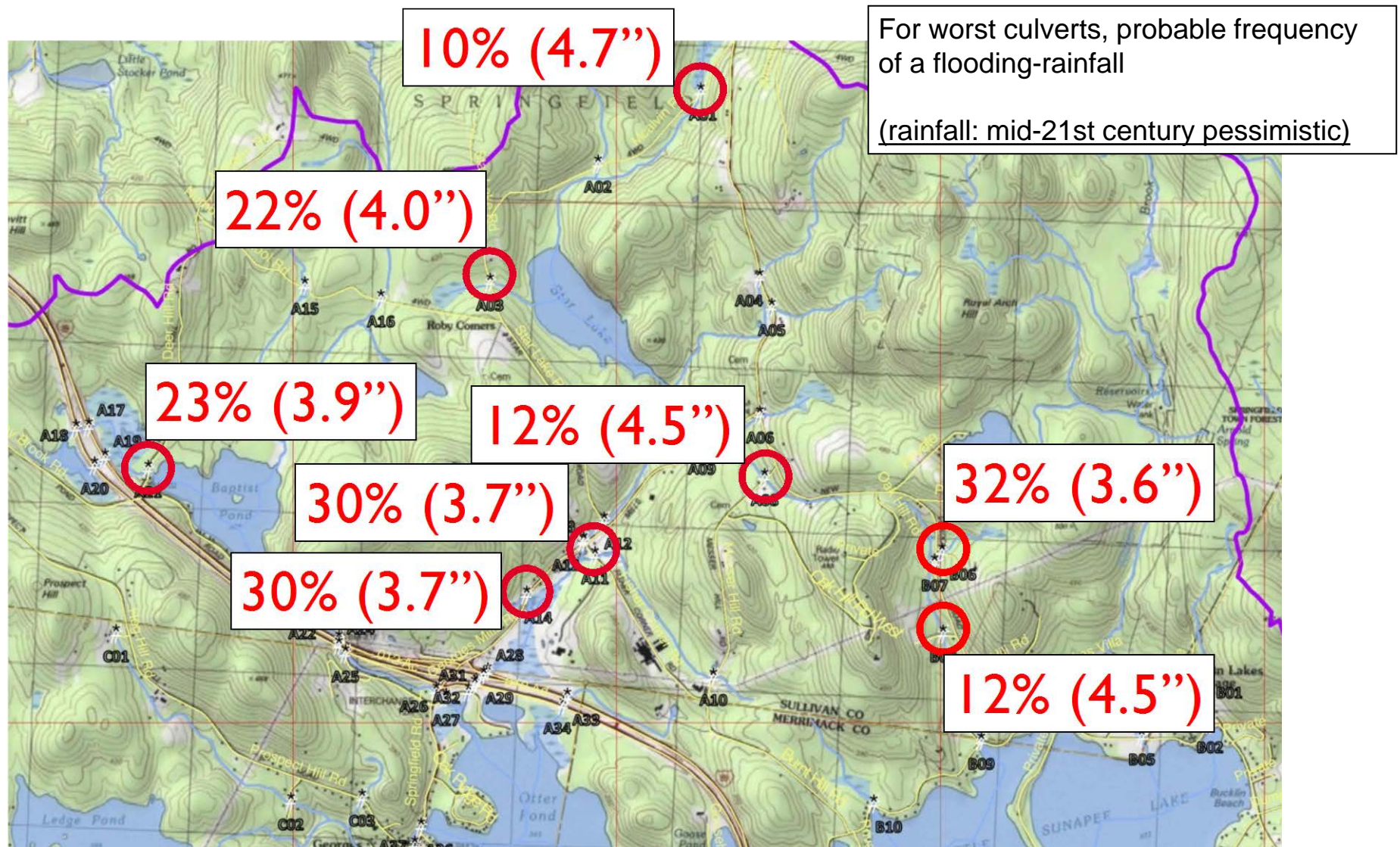
8% (3.7")

8% (3.7")

8% (3.6")



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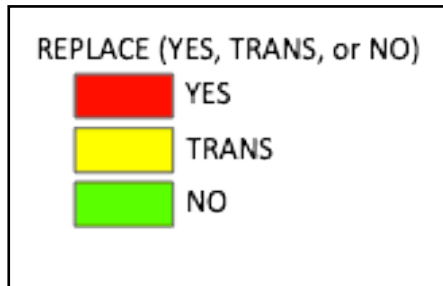
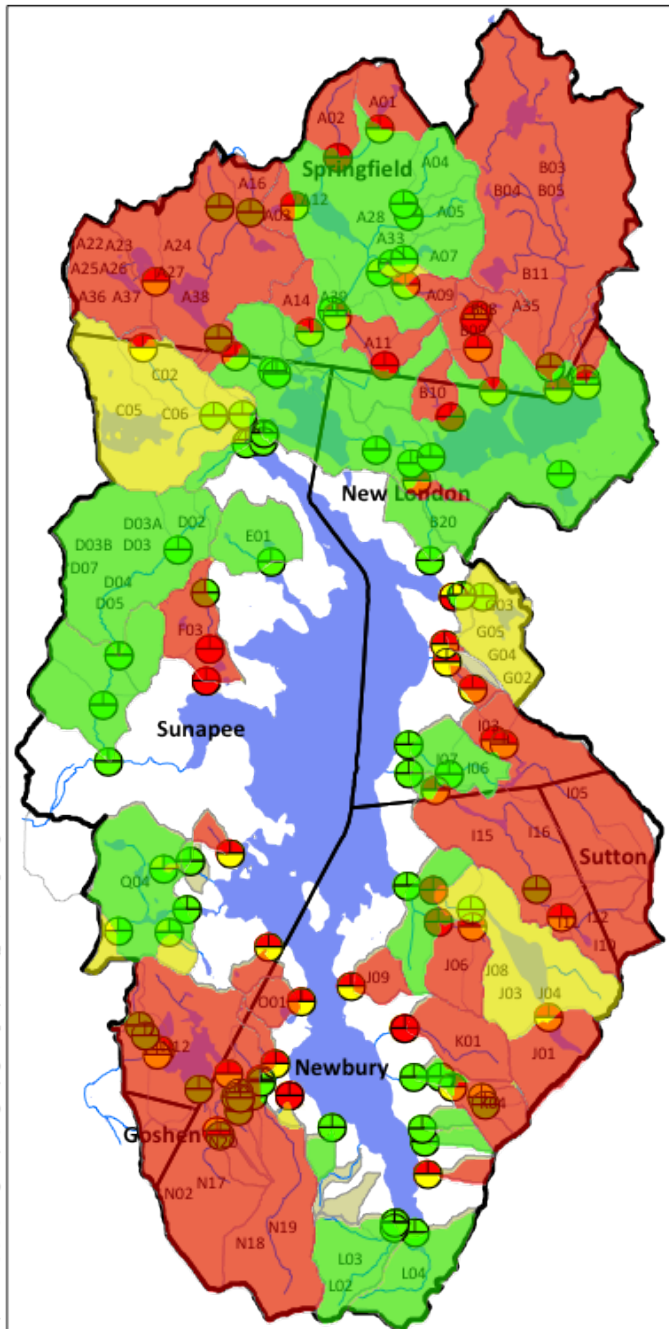


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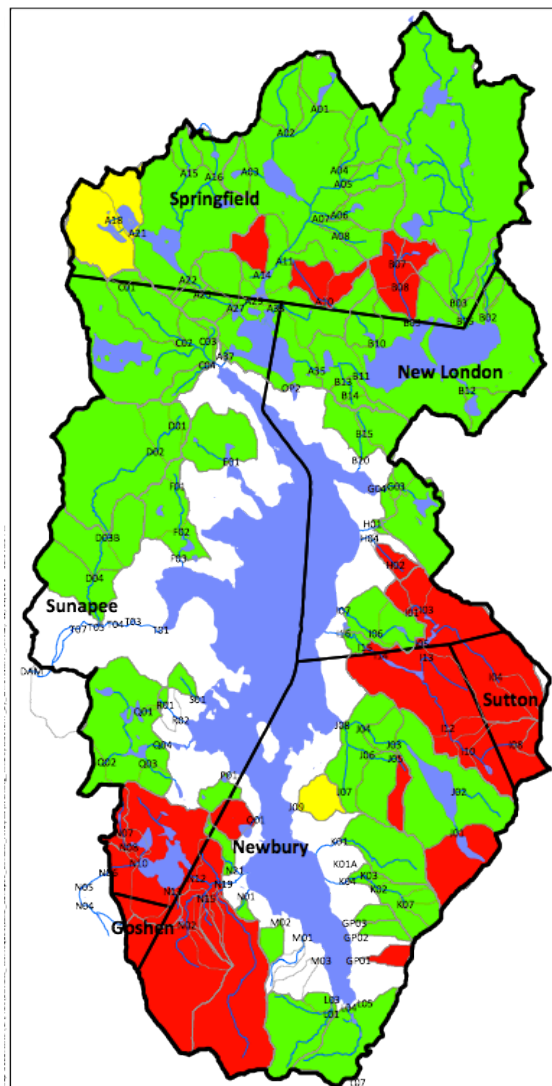
Spatial impact of undersized culverts

Mid-21st projected 25-yr storm:
35% of culverts undersized

Map Document: C:\Users\K\OneDrive\Documents\Lake_Sunapee_Culverts_Analysis\Working_Maps\RESULTS_POINTS_BRAID.mxd 11/20/2018 - 9:30:49 AM



Recent conditions



REPLACE (YES, TRANS, or NO)

YES

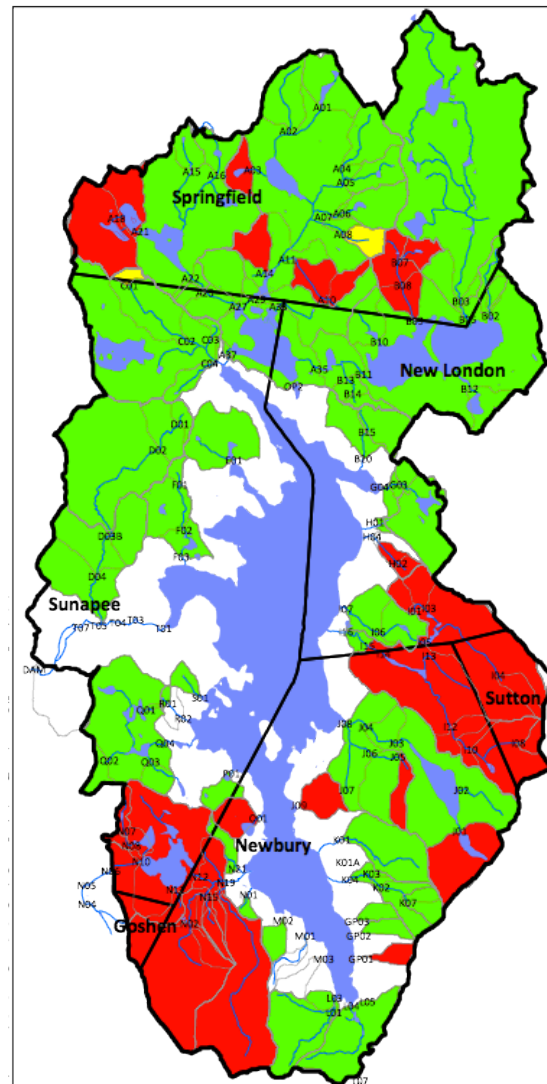
TRANS

NO

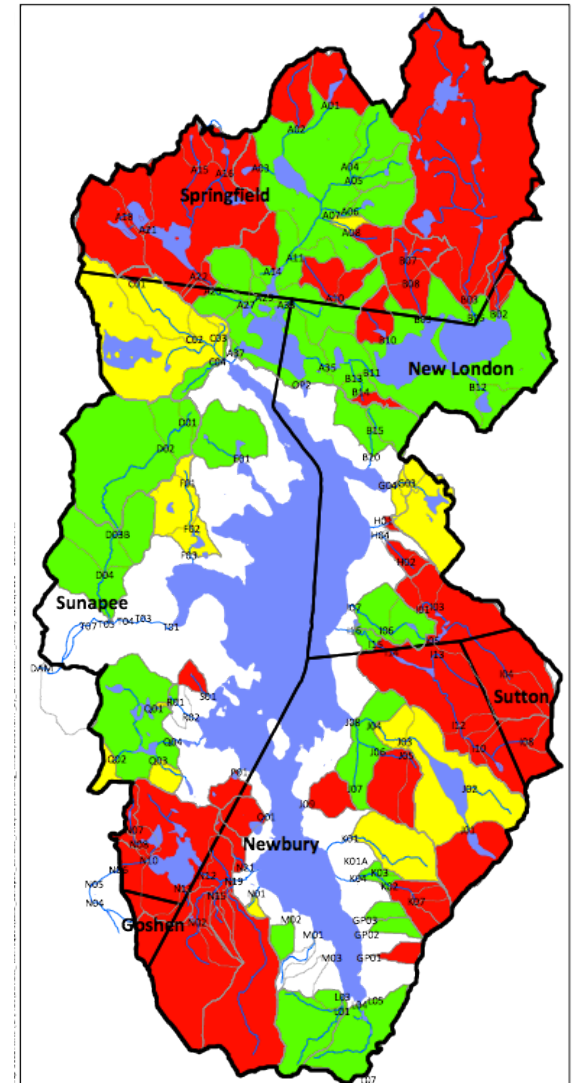
Trans = transitional

Drainage system adequacy

With population growth



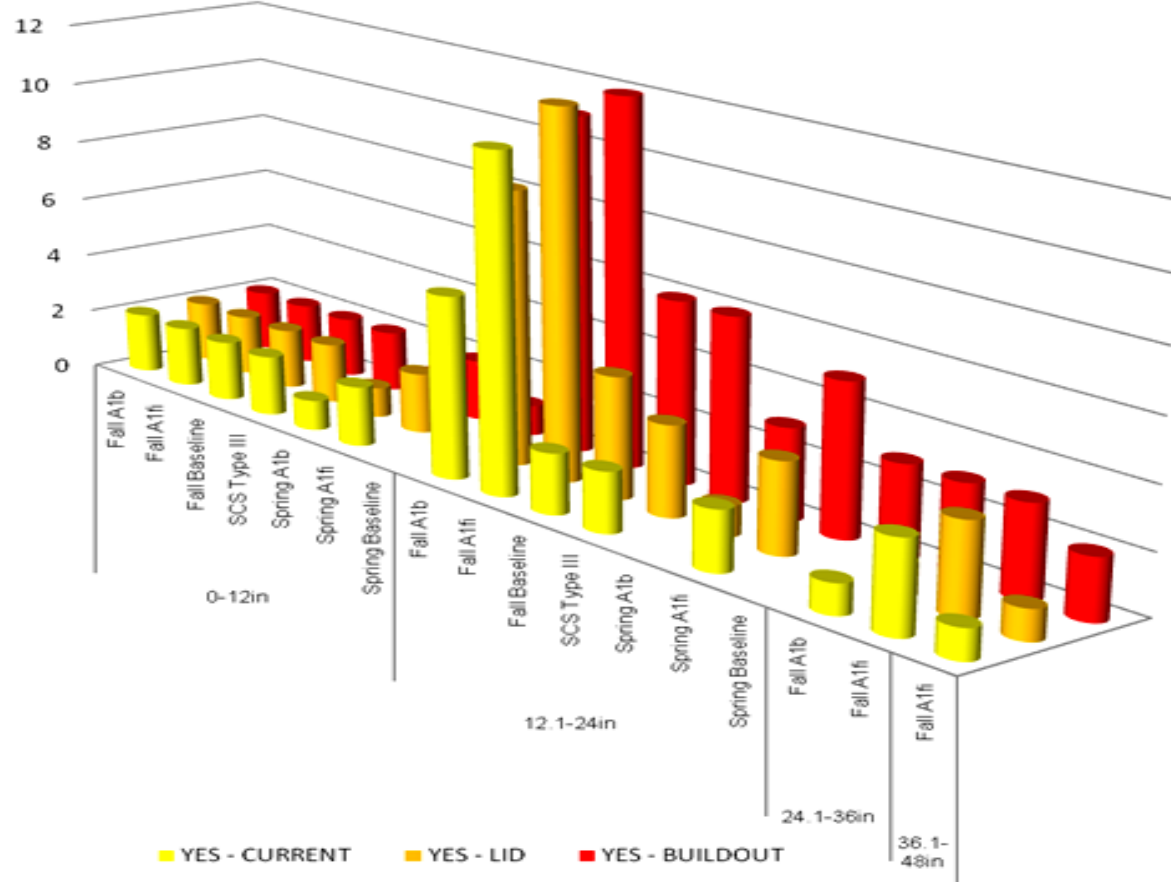
And more extreme rainfall



Culvert	stream order	road class
Bear08	1	V
Bear100	2	V
Beau100	1	V
Ches01	1	V
HAME03	1	V
HAME100	1	V
Hame04	1	V
Litt100	1	IV
Litt101	1	IV
LITT102	1	V
Litt104	1	private
Long02	1	V
Oyst01	2	V
Oyst101	2	V
Oyst102	2	V
OYST103	1	V
Unkn10	1	VI
Unkn21	2	V
Unkn22	1	II
Unkn26	1	I
Unkn29	1	private
Unkn32	1	II
Unkn34	1	V
Unkn41	1	V
Unkn42	1	V

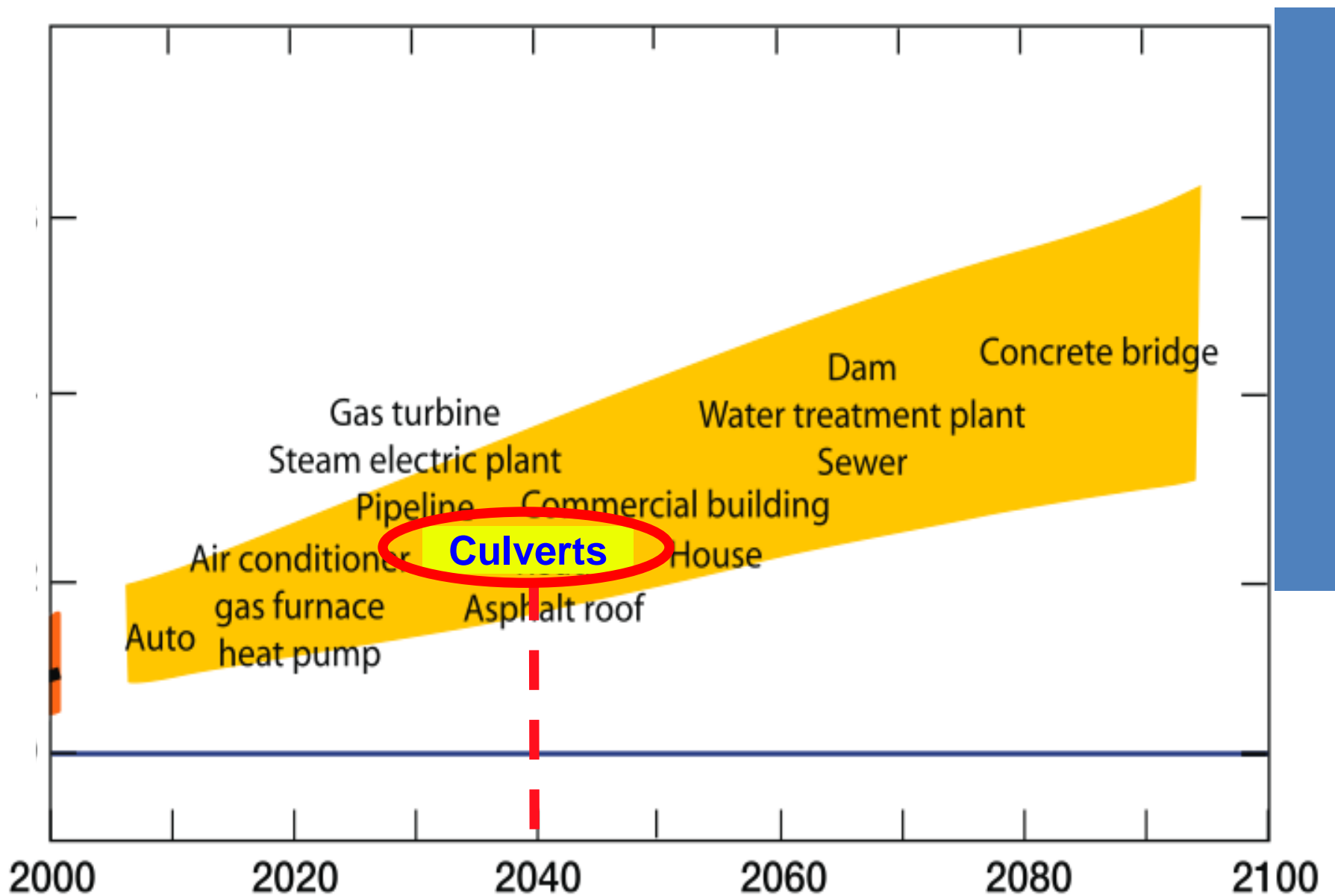
Culverts undersized tended to be higher in the watershed and under roads that were not major thoroughfares.

Count of Culverts to be Replaced by Size Class and Scenario



Culverts undersized tended to be in the 12 to 24 inch range

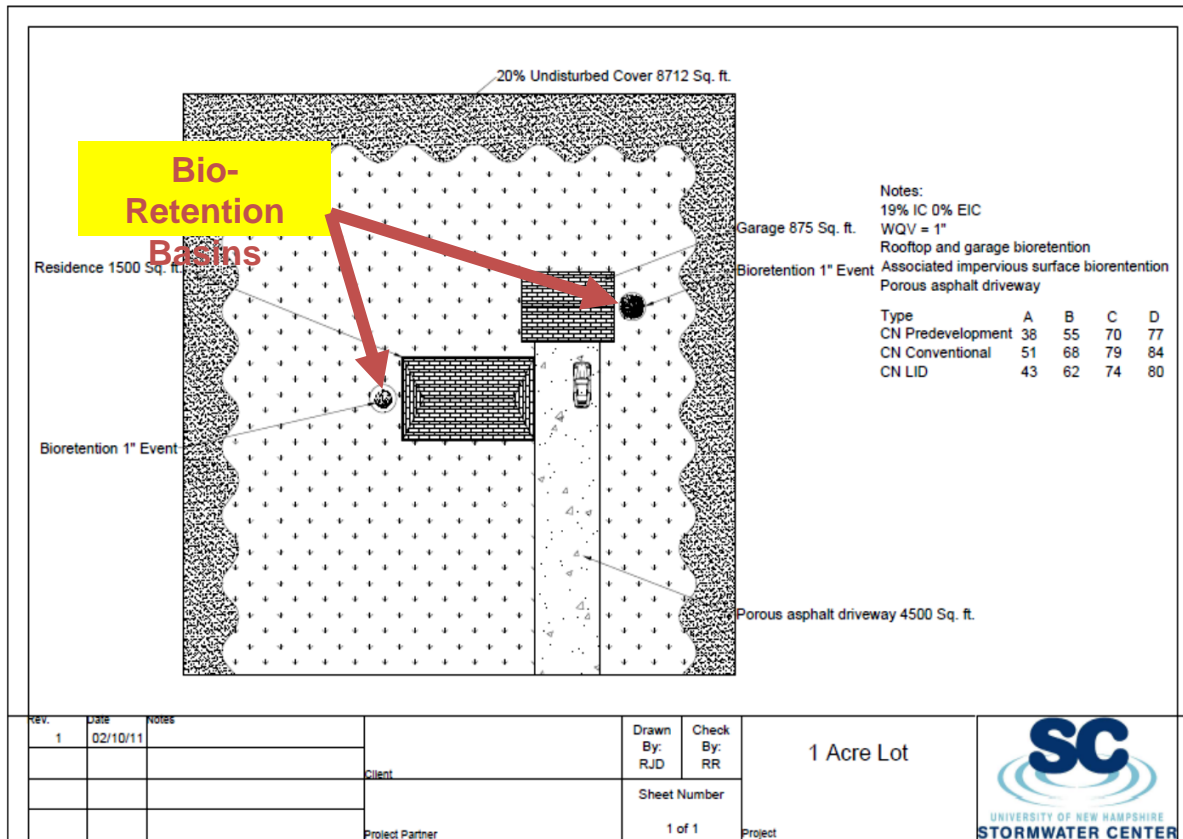
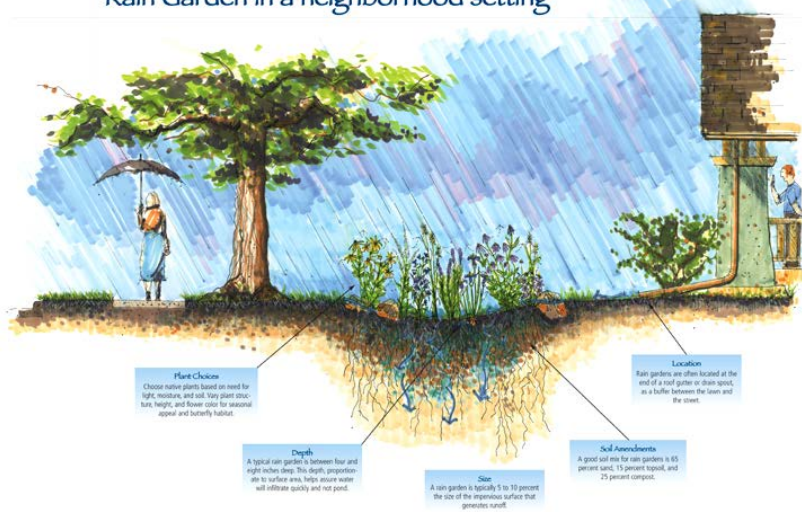
Infrastructure Replacement Time Horizon



Marginal upgrade cost, population growth & more extreme

Precipitation	Marginal Cost
Recent ('71-'00)	67,959
Heavy	100,029
Heavier	185,643
Very Heavy	428,007

Rain Garden in a neighborhood setting



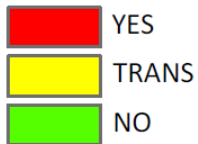
COMPARISON OF LANDUSE RESULTS

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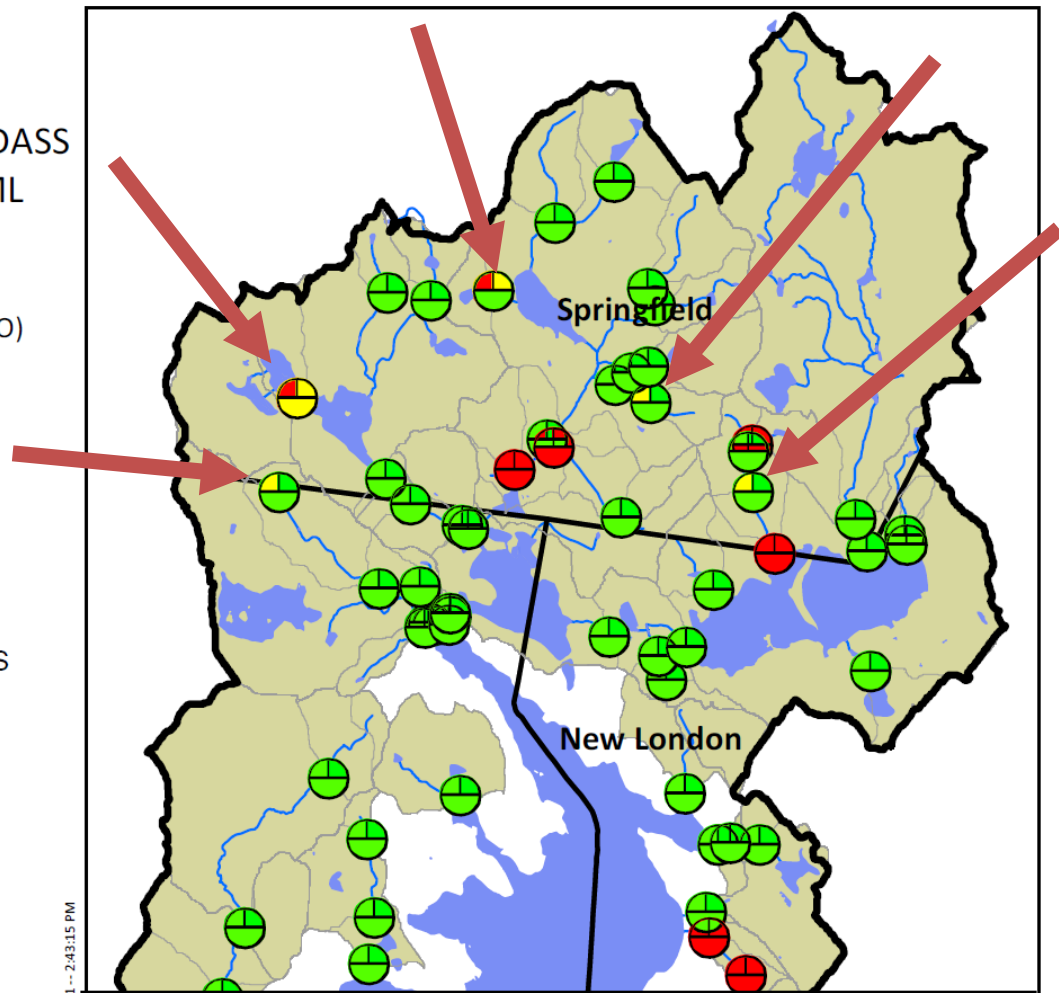
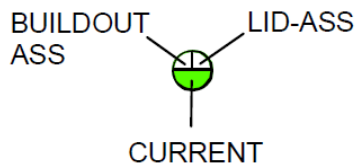
PRECIP: BASELINE ML

AMC: TYPE II

REPLACE (YES, TRANS, or NO)



Result Position



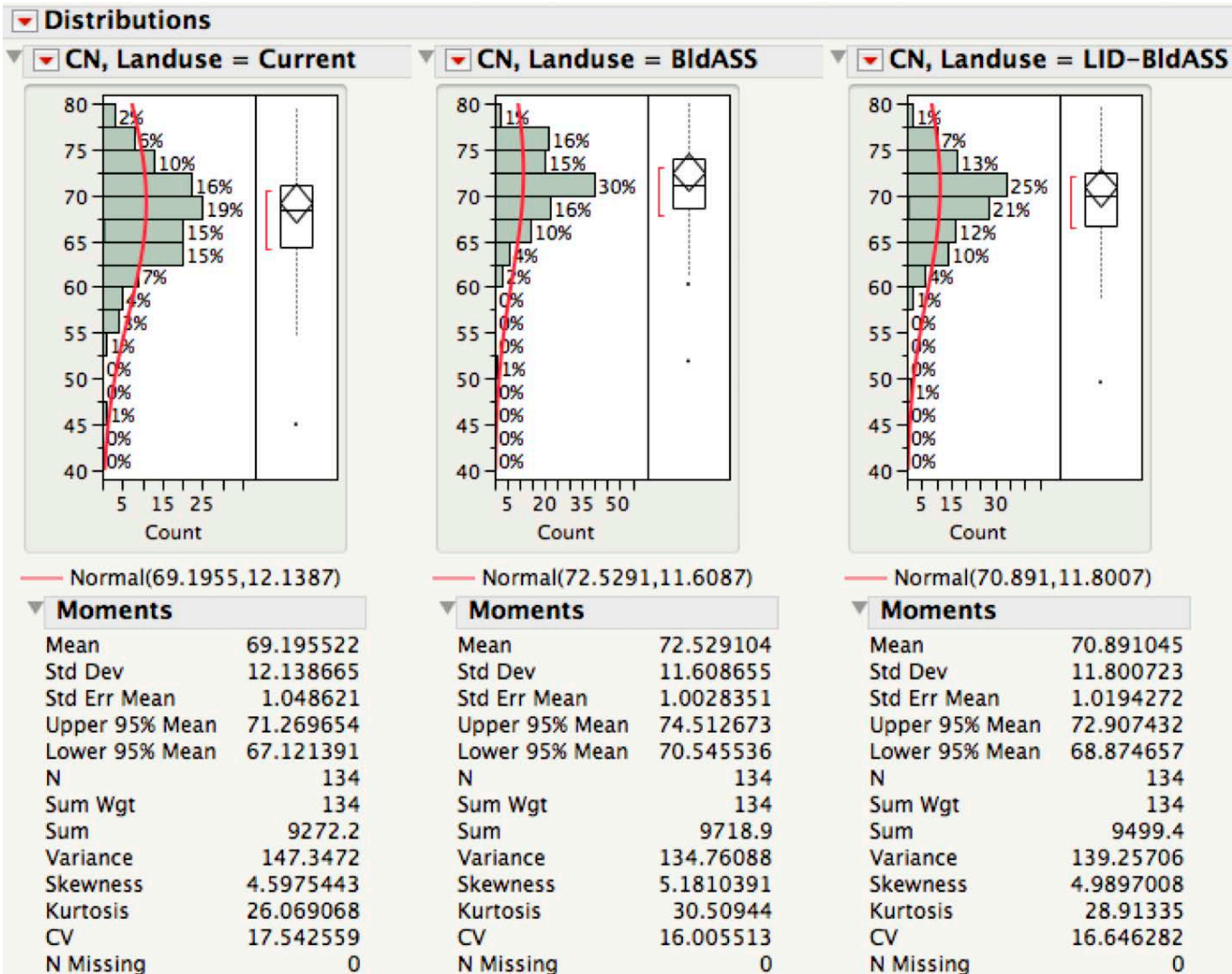
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Average basin run-off due to build out scenario was decreased by an 66%.



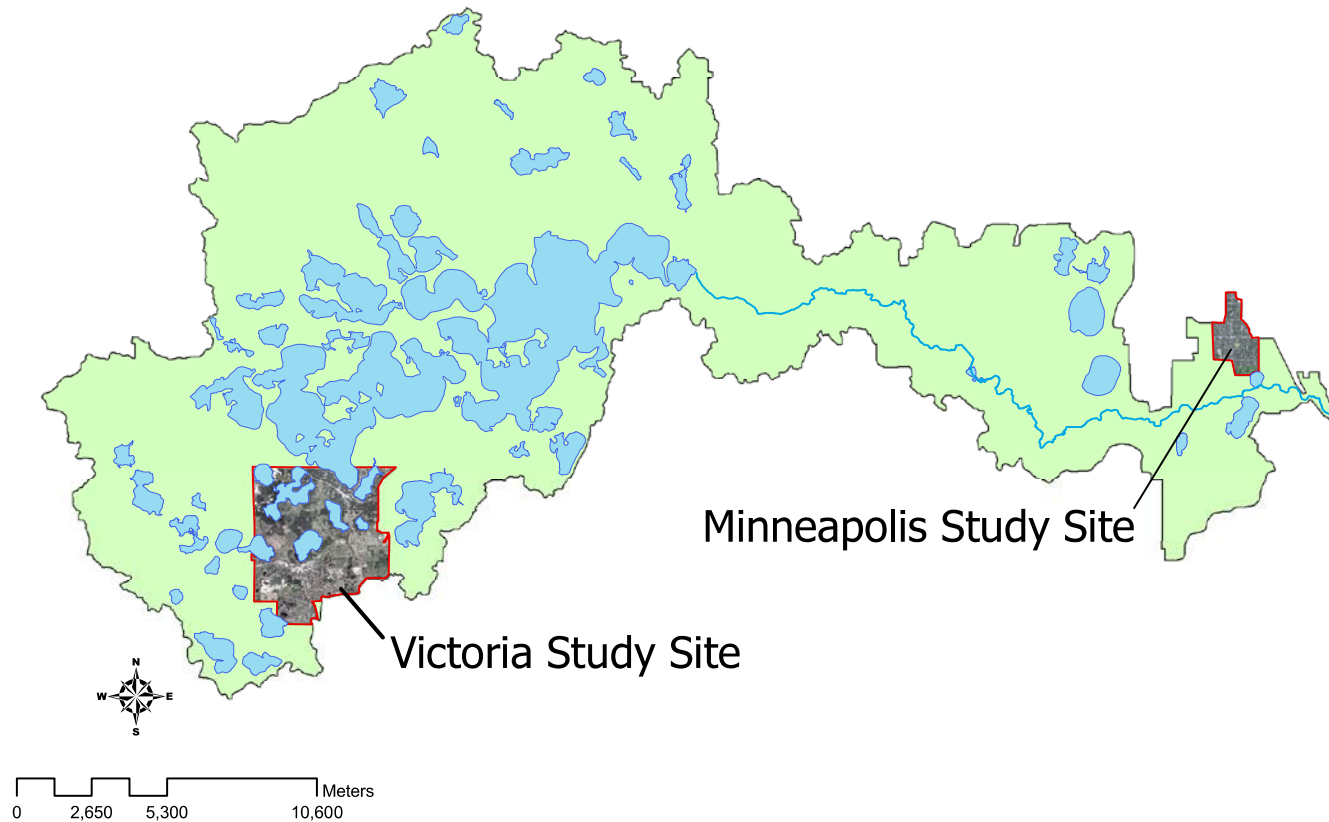
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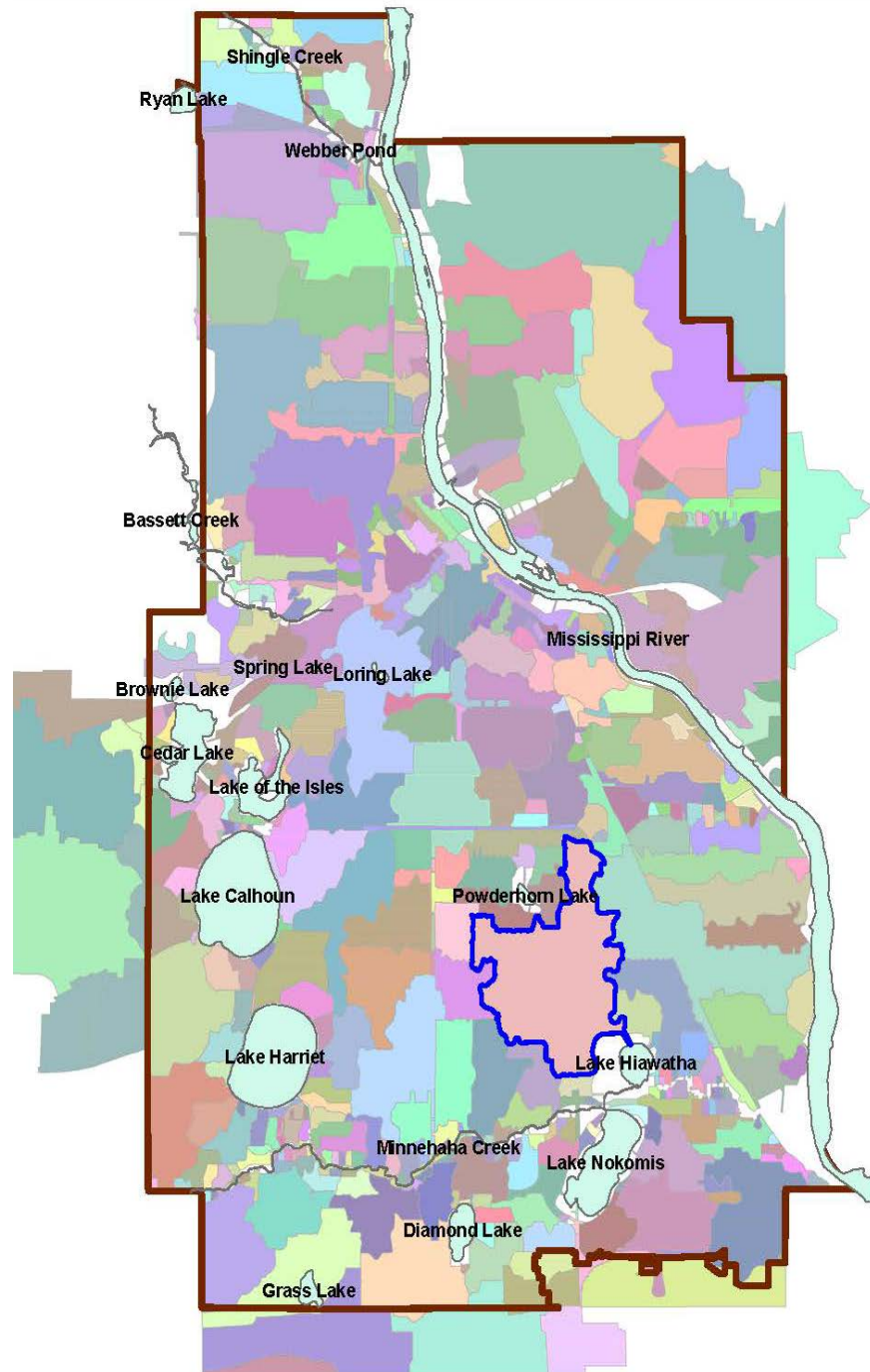
Build-out with LID

reduced the marginal cost of
upgrading by as much as 25%

Impact of LID on total upgrade cost			
	Buildout	LID	$\Delta\%$
Recent ('71-'00)	1,311,067	1,303,531	0.6%
Heavy	1,327,136	1,293,605	2.6%
Heavier	1,412,750	1,382,501	2.2%
Very Heavy	1,655,115	1,573,679	5.2%
Number of undersized components			
	Buildout	LID	$\Delta\%$
Recent ('71-'00)	19	16	19%
Heavy	19	17	12%
Heavier	28	24	17%
Very Heavy	41	39	5%

Minnehaha Creek Watershed





Design Rainfall Amounts (inches)	Percentage Chance of Annual Rainfall	Return Period (year storm)
2.50	100%	1
2.80	40%	2.5
3.60	20%	5
3.80	13.33%	7.5
4.10	10%	10
4.80	4%	25
5.40	2%	50
5.70	1.33 %	75
6.00	1%	100

Return Period : Current and Future

Return period (years)	Recent climate	mid-21st cent. Optimistic	mid-21st cent. Moderate	mid-21st cent. Pessimistic
2.5	2.5	2.84	3.3	6.86
5	3.17	3.47	4.11	8.4
7.5	3.57	3.88	4.66	9.39
10	3.86	4.19	5.1	10.13
25	4.84	5.28	6.74	12.75
50	5.67	6.22	8.31	15.03
75	6.2	6.82	9.39	16.5
100	6.59	7.27	10.23	17.59

9%

32%

162%







3.18-in Storm

Pipe Capacity

Adequate

Undersized

Existing Pipe System Adequacy, Pipe and Street Storage Capacity 3.93 in

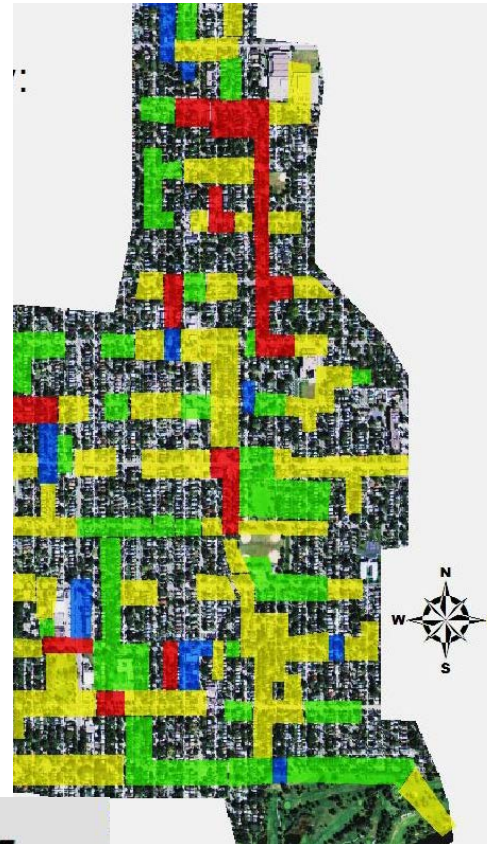
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-  Surcharged, No surface flooding
-  Surcharged, Streets contain surface flooding
-  Surcharged, Over-curb flooding



3.9 “







6.6 “



10.1 “

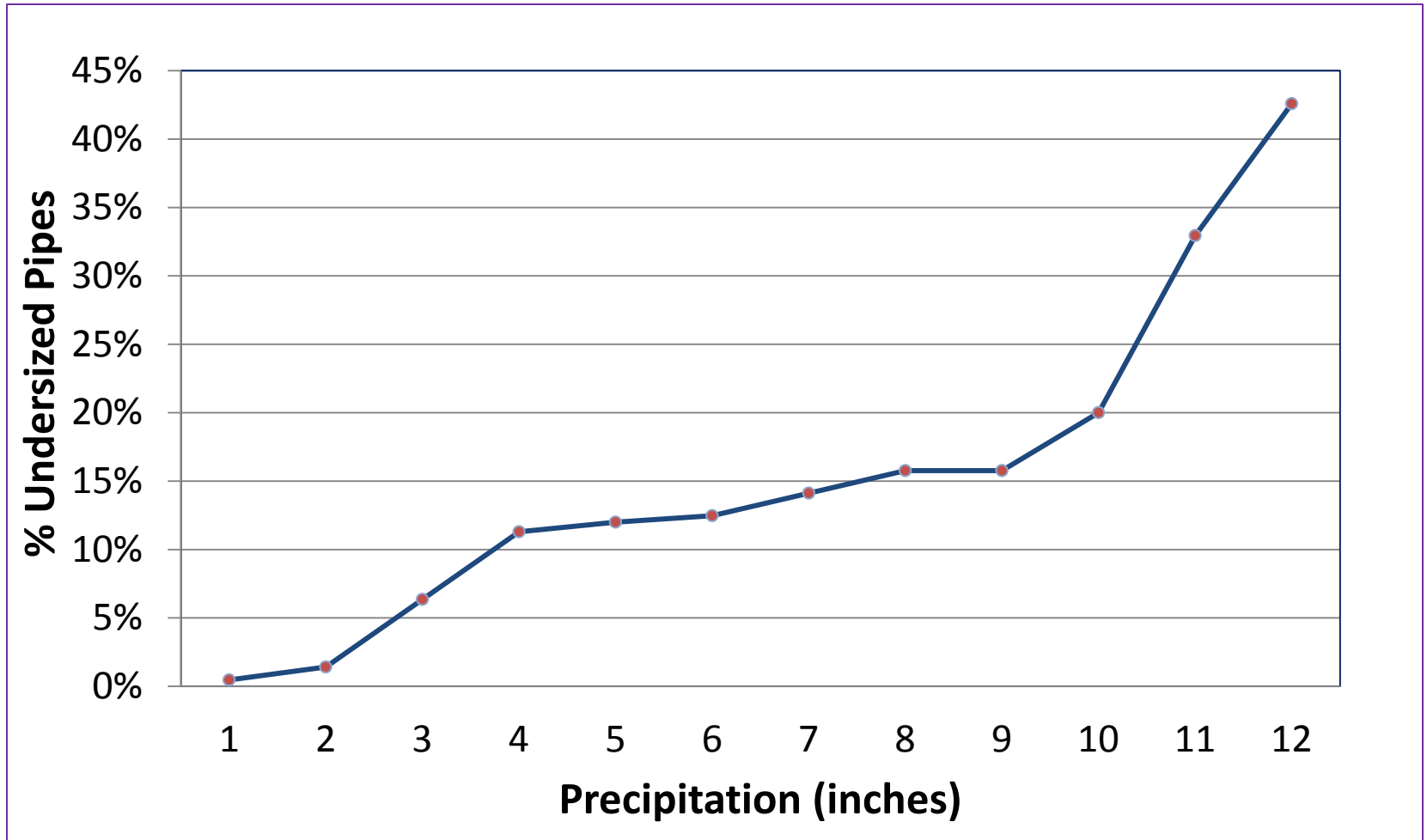


Pipe Adequacy and Surface Flooding

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Hiawatha :

% Of Undersized Pipes ...with Increasing Rainfall



Hiawatha : System Flood Volumes

Precip. Scenario (in)	Flood Volume (MG)		
	Total	Street Storage	Over-curb
3.93	2.46	1.61	0.86
4.15	2.92	1.80	1.12
4.77	3.95	2.30	1.66
5.66	5.82	3.07	2.75
6.56	10.05	3.70	6.34
8.07	20.02	5.41	14.61
10.1	40.05	5.94	34.11

Hiawatha : **(Preliminary) Cost Estimates for** **Up-sizing Pipes**

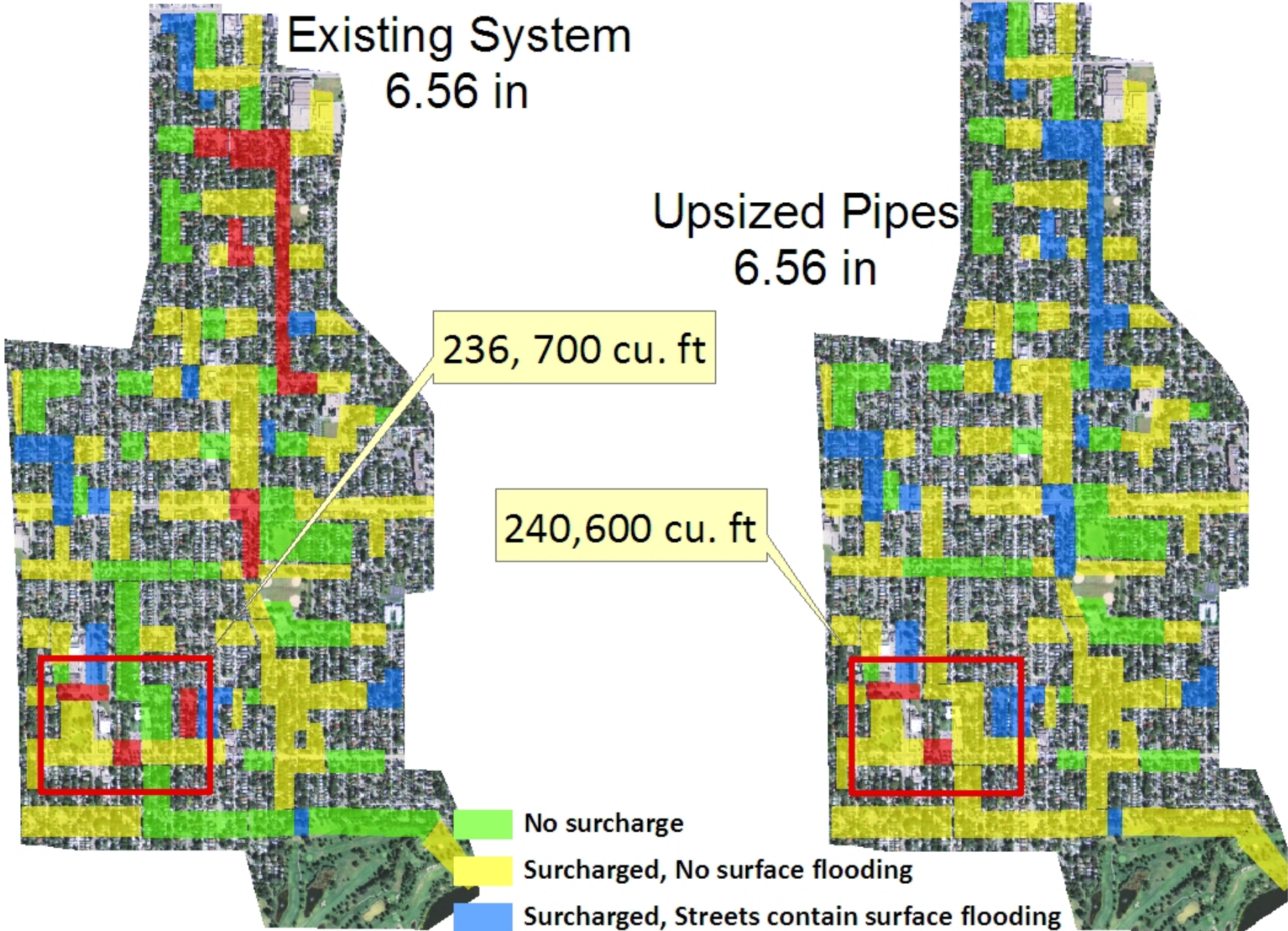
Precip depth (inches)	Qp (cfs/ac)	pipe replacement (feet)	low cost		high cost	
4.15	2.04	3439	\$	3,994,155	\$	9,083,822
4.77	2.44	5740	\$	6,666,603	\$	15,161,715
5.66	3.02	12272	\$	14,253,058	\$	32,415,430
6.56	3.63	20405	\$	23,698,961	\$	53,898,048

Existing System
6.56 in

Upsized Pipes
6.56 in

236,700 cu. ft

240,600 cu. ft

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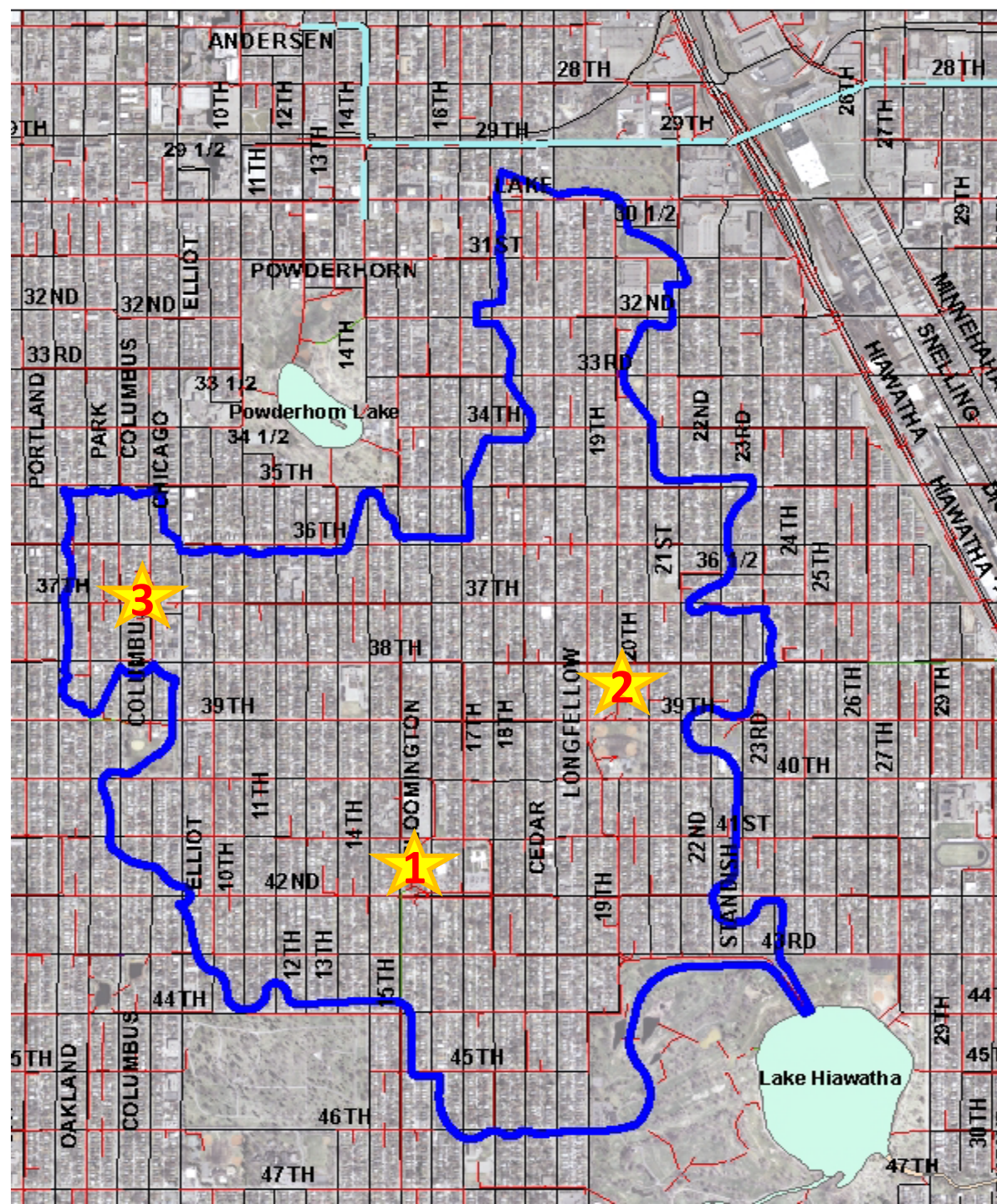


Bancroft Meadows Flood Basin

Built 1989

(Bloomington and 42nd)





Hiawatha : Dry Basin Cost Estimates for Post-Piping Upgrade Volumes (preliminary)

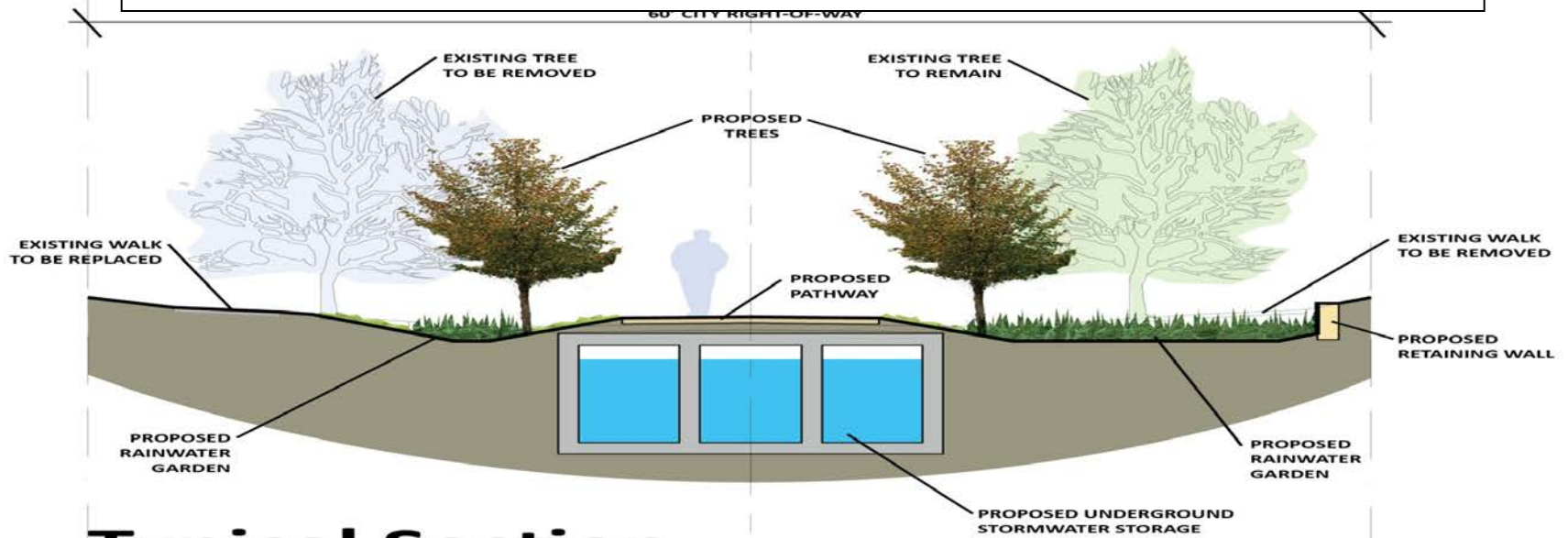
Precipitation (inches)	Flooding	Excess Vol.			
	Volumes (Mgal)	w/ pipe upsizing (Mgal)	Excess Vol. acre-feet	low costs	high costs
6.56	10.05	4.24	13	\$124,562	\$177,946
8.07	20.02	9.97	31	\$293,243	\$418,919
10.10	40.05	20.03	61	\$589,076	\$841,537



The largest box culvert sections are 18 feet wide by 10 feet high



37th Avenue Greenway Flood Project Built 2011

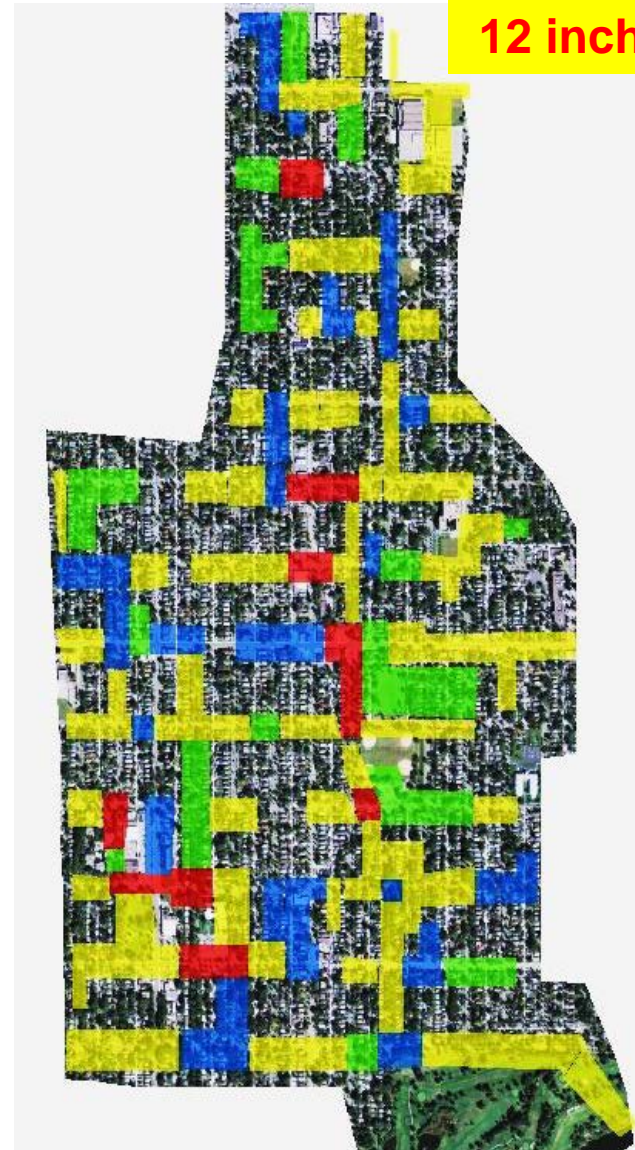


Typical Section

**Hiawatha :
Underground Storage Cost Estimates for
Post-Piping Upgrade Volumes
(preliminary)**

Precipitation	Excess Vol.				# of projects comparable to 37th ave
	Flooding	w/ pipe	Excess Vol.	Estimated	
	Volumes (Mgal)	upsizing (Mgal)		Underground Basin Costs	
6.56	10.1	4.2	13.0	\$ 9,833,167	4
8.07	20.0	10.0	30.6	\$ 23,149,155	9
10.1	40.1	20.0	61.5	\$ 46,502,636	18

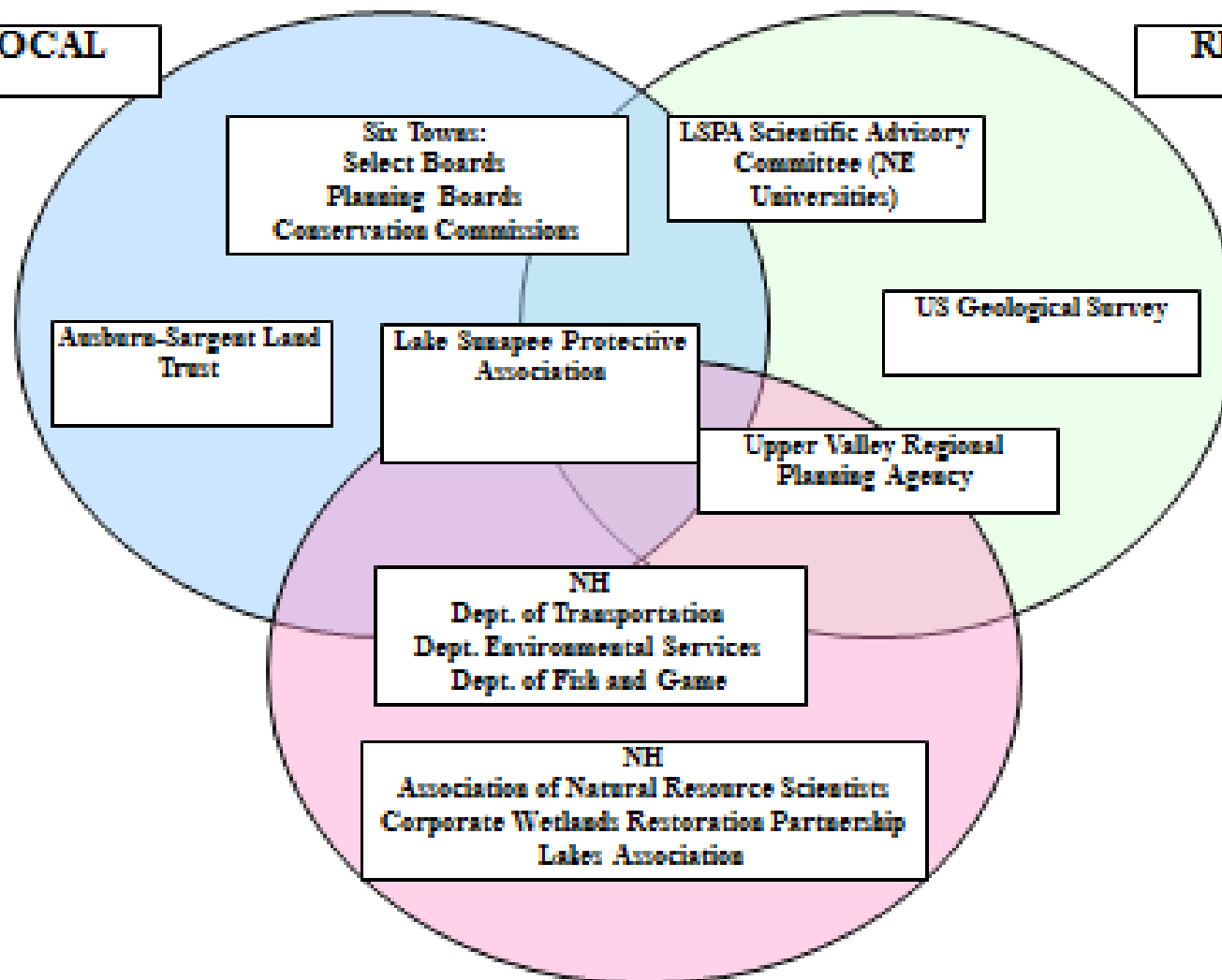
10.1" Rainfall Street Flooding Potential (red)



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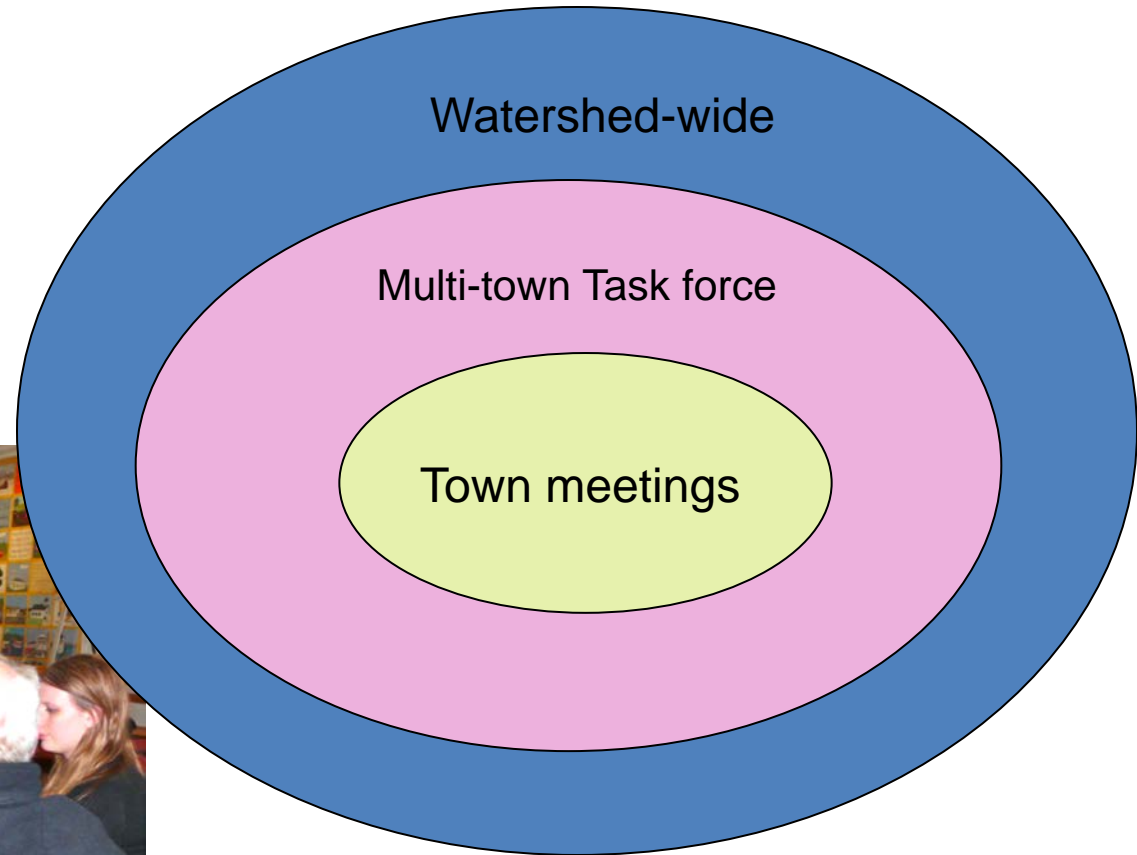
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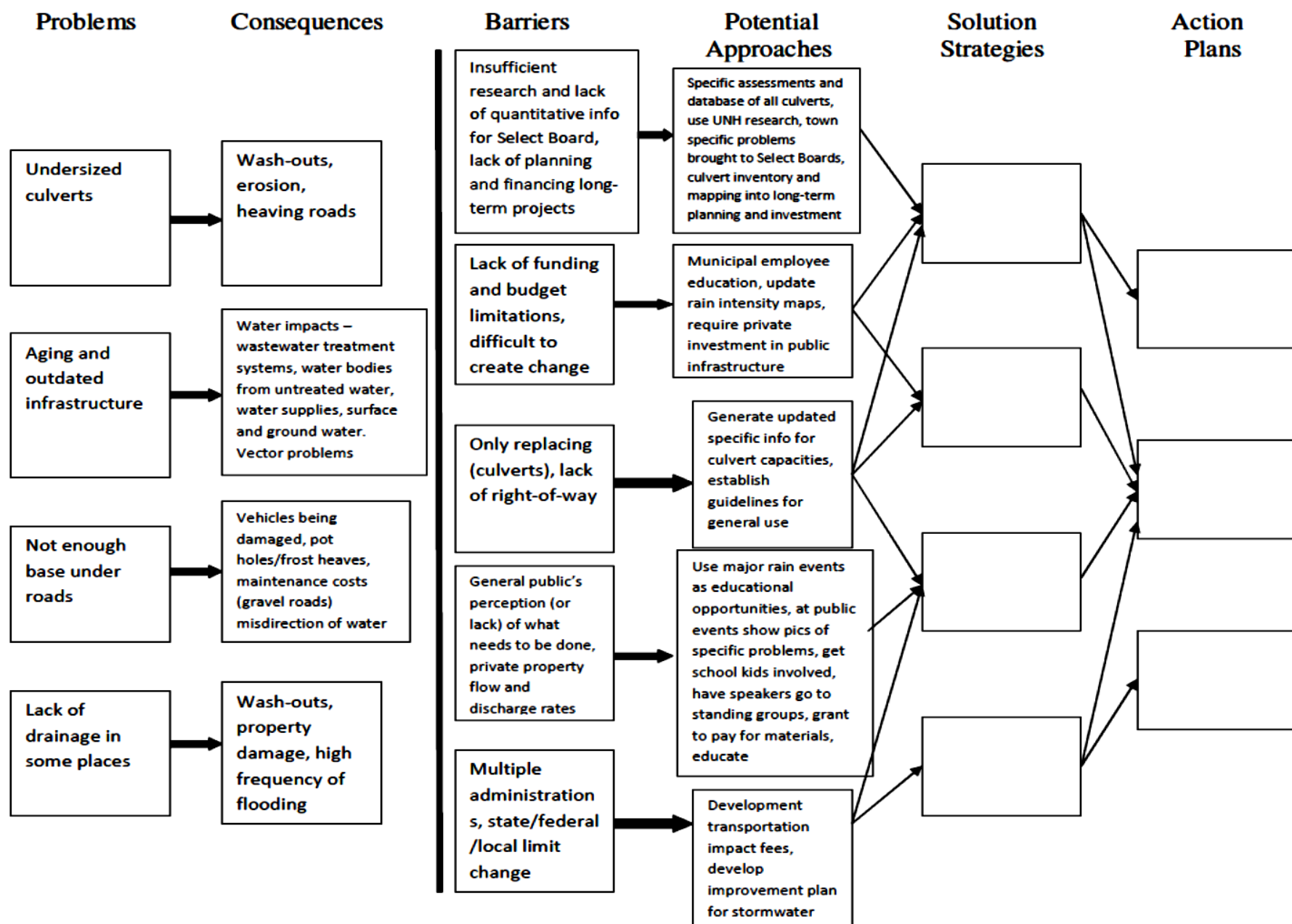


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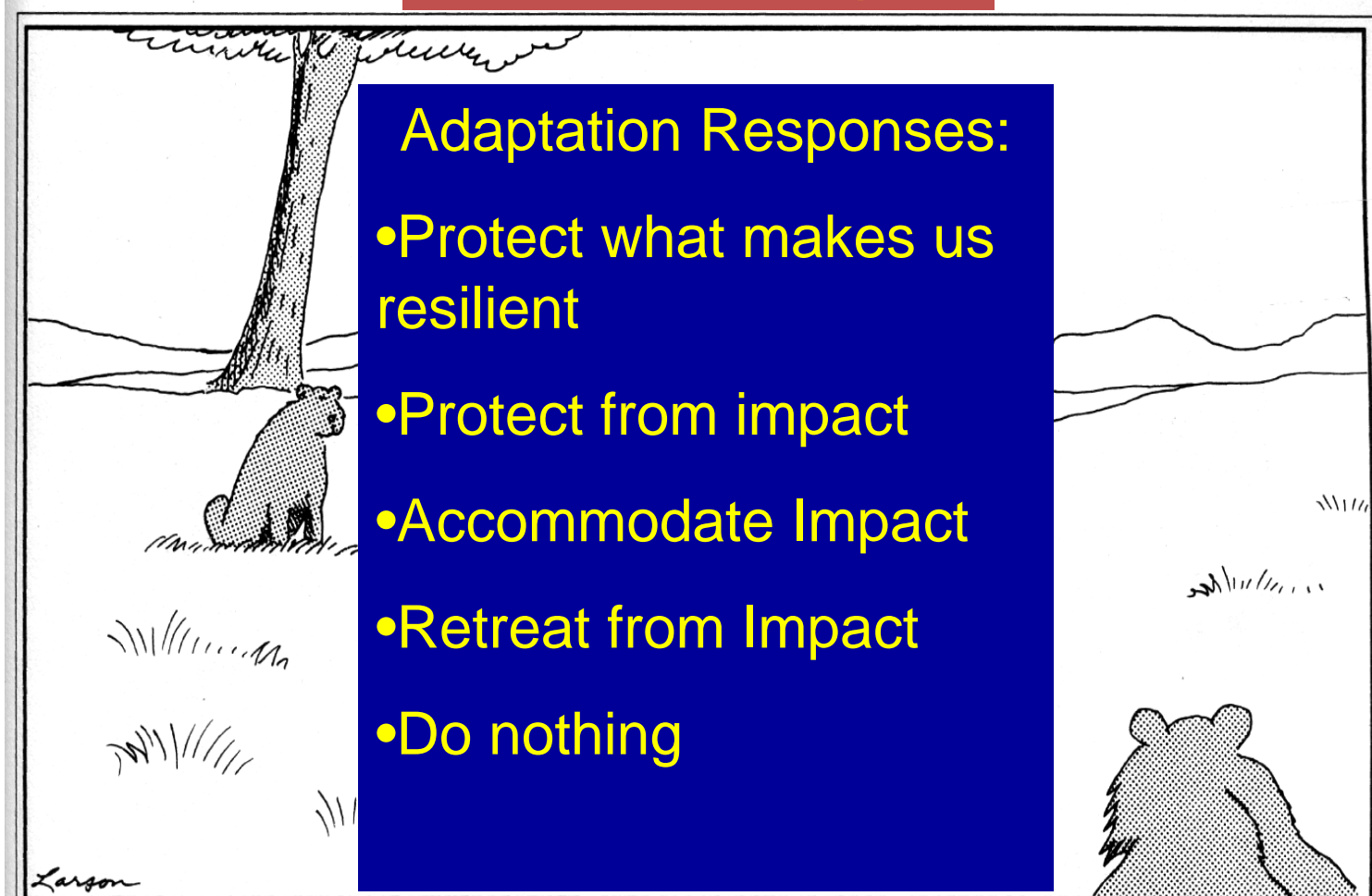
Nested Adaptive Management Approach



Local Government and Infrastructure



The need to Adapt



“Drive, George, drive! This one’s got a coat hanger!”

Whitcomb Mill Road

STATUS

- Cost:
Pro-action < Reaction
- *Inaction & Action:*
both have consequences

Road Crossing
Upgrade

\$ 56,000



FEMA Response: \$ 28,000

Engineer's Estimate to
Repair Road

\$ 93,000